

IN THE SPECIFICATION

In paragraph 28, please change reference numeral 18 to reference numeral 24, as follows:

[0028] Figure 2 illustrates the cable connector 12 with the mating connector 14 (shown in Figure 1) removed. The bottom surface 26 of the cable connector 12 includes a mating connector face 50 adapted for connection to the mating connector 14. The bail latch retainer 44 projects outwardly from the first side 20 of the cable connector 12 and includes a slot 52 formed therein for receiving the bail latch 16 (shown in Figure 1). The jack screw 18 extends completely through the cable connector from the top surface 1824 to the bottom surface 26, and the cable exit 28 extends from the first side 20 of the cable connector 12 above the bail latch retainer 44.

In paragraph 35, please change reference numeral 100 to reference numeral 104; also change reference numerals 78 and 82 to 80 and 84; and also change reference numerals 80 and 84 to 78 and 82, as follows:

[0035] Also, and as illustrated in Figure 5, the cable connector 12 is formed from two housing backshells ~~100, 102~~ 102 and 104 joined to one another. That is, the backshell 102 includes outer walls ~~78 and 82~~ 80 and 84 while backshell 104 includes outer walls ~~80 and 84~~ 78 and 82, with each of the backshells 102 and 104 defining approximately one half of the opening 100. In one embodiment, the bail latch retainer 44 is formed integrally with only one of the backshells 102, although it is contemplated that the backshells 102 and 104 could be collectively defined by the combination of backshells 102 and 104. In one embodiment the backshells 102 and 104 are formed in a known die cast process, and include internal features therein for terminating the conductive members of a cable, and strain relief features, such as mechanical staple strain relief, familiar to those in the art. In

alternative embodiments, the backshells 102 and 104 could be otherwise formed according to known processes and techniques.

In paragraph 41, please change reference numeral 72 to reference numeral 74, as follows:

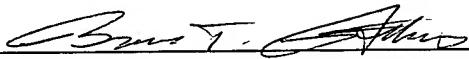
[0041] The bail latch retainer 44 includes first and second barbs 72 defining a neck portion ~~72~~74 of a bail retaining slot 52 as described above. The cable exit 28 and the remainder of the cable connector 120 include substantially flush outer walls 146-152, and the mating connector face 50 extends substantially equidistant from the outer walls 146 and 148.

REMARKS

No new matter has been added. Applicants request entry of the foregoing Preliminary Amendment. Favorable action is respectfully solicited.

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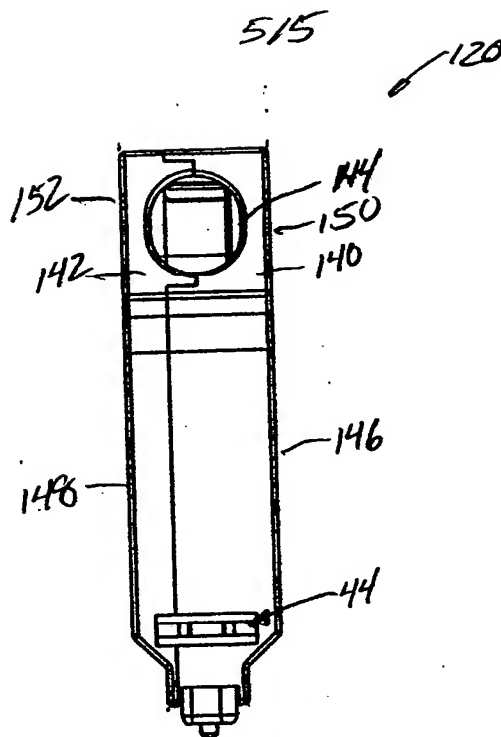


FIG. 7

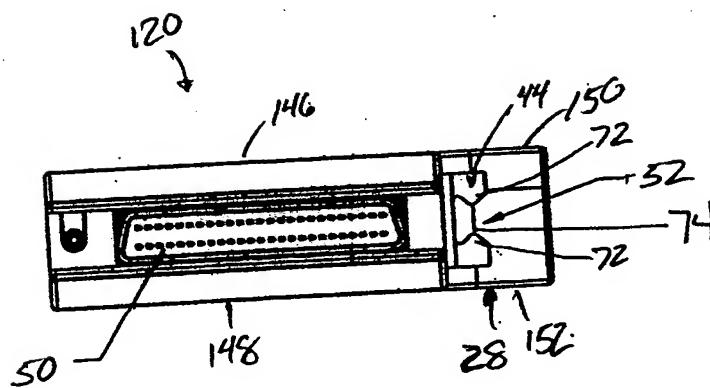


FIG. 8